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# DON’T PRESSURE THEM INTO YOUR PROFESSION/field of choice!

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|  | While it may seem like a good idea, it is surprisingly uncommon among college students |
|  | In a recent survey of seventeen students, only two have chosen a field similar to their parents. |
|  | Most students aren’t too worried about job security either, as it only influenced four of the seventeen students to choose their major. |

# instead, students tend to stay with a major that they associate positive feelings with

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|  | Fifteen out of seventeen students report that they are happy in their current major. |
|  | Some students in the survey noted that they wanted to make a difference in life or improve themselves through their major. |
|  | A lot of students choose a major from something they excelled at in high school. |
|  | Students also pick up minors if they have a strong interest in the field or they think that it will go along well with their major. |

# Changing their major is a possibility

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|  | Ten out of the seventeen students reported that when they were incoming freshmen, they were very committed to their major and had no second thoughts. |
|  | Six of the seventeen students had already changed their major at least once, and four others plan on doing so soon. |
|  | Some of the reasons students gave for changing their major was that they lost interest or that they got into a program they had originally wanted to be in. |

# Your support is necessary!!

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|  | Eight of the seventeen students reported that they had received positive encouragement from their family and friends. |
|  | Only one student in the survey received negative pressure from a family member, but chose to ignore it. |
|  | Students also tend to be happier in their major when they have a support group from family members and friends. |

